GUIDE TO THE SC13 GOAJIRO FILE

[The SC13 Goajiro file consists of ten sources, two of which are translations from the Spanish. Mos of the sources in this file emphasize the Colombian, rather than the Venezuelan, Goajiro. The main sources are the two translations, both written by Colombian ethnologists. 1: Gutierrez de Pineda is a long study of Goajiro social organization, including a description of the life cycle. 2: Pineda Giraldo is a study of Goajiro magical practices and their relation to other aspects of the society. 3: Wilbert is a short source summarizing the kinship and social organization. 4: Petrullo analyzes the ways of composing torts in Goajiro society. 5: Simons is an account of a geographical exploration of the Goajiro Peninsula during the nineteenth century. 6: Santa Cruz is a brief analysis of the workings of the avunculate. 7: Bolinder is an account of a trip by a Swedish traveler, which touches on many aspects of Goajiro culture. 8: Armstrong and Métraux is a secondary summary of the culture. 9: Santa Cruz describes the means of acquiring status in Goajiro society. 10: Gusinde discusses totemistic property marks.

This is a fairly good file for the purposes of cross-cultural research. Social organization and subsistence patterns are emphasized in the materials presented, while human biology, individual psychology, language and the ethnosciences are slighted.

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